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	2. Accompanied the Director on a visit to Rep. Walter. The Director
	started the meeting by telling Mr. Walter that he was disturbed at the apparent
	worsening of relations between CIA and his Committee. Mr. Walter said
	that he is not anti-CIA, and in fact thinks that under Mr. Dulles' leadership
	we are doing a much better job than before. He did say that he had become
0X1	irritated by an inability to get information he wanted to have
0X1	The Director informed Mr. Walter
	that we would do everything possible to cooperate with him and to give him

Mr. Walter described his experiences in Hong Kong recently, with particular reference to his investigation of the charges made by Cong. Feighan that large numbers of Russian refugees were coming out of China and were being resettled by ICEM in Latin America and other parts of the Western Hemisphere without any security check. Mr. Walter said that according to his evidence Mr. Feighan's charges were thoroughly unjust, and he proposes to issue a majority report of his Committee indicating this to be the case.

The Director mentioned the problem of U.S. policy on issuing visitors permits to Russian or Satellite citizens for travel in this country. he said that this matter was being considered at the highest levels within

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any information he wanted

the Government and that his own feeling on the matter was that we should permit such visits if we are able to get reciprocal privileges from the other countries. He made reference to the problem of having to fingerprint foreigners entering this country even on such visits, and Congressman Walter said that they put the fingerprinting provisions into the laws because of J. Edgar Hoover felt very strongly that they were necessary. Mr. Dulles said that it was his impression that Mr. Hoover did not feel as strongly about this now. Mr. Walter did not appear to disagree with the general thesis that we should permit visits of this type.

There was a brief discussion of the Mansfield Resolution. The Director explained that the Senate Rules Committee report contained many untrue statements concerning the veil of secrecy regarding CIA activities, and he described the procedures we went through annually with the Armed Services and Appropriations Subcommittees. Although he did not say so flatly, I have the impression that he will not press for a Joint Committee on Foreign Intelligence.